

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 668

By Lundberg

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Jack D. Dempsey on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Jack D. Dempsey is one such estimable person, who will be taking his much-deserved retirement on March 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in Ashland, Kentucky, Mr. Dempsey's career in broadcasting began in 1973 at WAXU-AM in Georgetown, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, transitioning to television, Jack Dempsey worked at WKYT-TV in Lexington, Kentucky, and WOWK-TV in Huntington, West Virginia; he spent twenty-seven years at WJHL-TV in Johnson City, and for twenty-three years, he was the station's general manager; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, Mr. Dempsey joined WCYB-TV in Bristol, Virginia, as vice president and general manager; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of his community, Mr. Dempsey serves on the board of the United Way of Bristol; he is a past president of the Rotary Club of Bristol and a past member of the Barter Theater's Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Jack Dempsey is grateful for the love and support he shares with his wife, Diane, and their five children and eleven grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Jack Dempsey exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Jack Dempsey has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Jack D. Dempsey on the occasion of his retirement and extend to him our heartfelt wishes for every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.